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# THE STROBE

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### Hebert to kick-off writers series

by Vanessa Manni  
News editor

As part of the Cultural Series slated for this year at Fitchburg State College, a number of New England Writers will begin a lecture series that will be hosted by award-winning author Robert Cormier.

The first of these New England Writers to visit Fitchburg State College is Ernest Hebert, who will speak on Friday, October 25th at 7:30 p.m. in the Kent Recital Hall. All lectures in the New England Writers Series are free and open to the public.

Hebert is an associate professor at Dartmouth College in New Hampshire. In 1994, he was given the Dartmouth Award by the college for "excellence in creativity and scholarship."

Hebert's first novel, *The Dogs of March*, was published to great acclaim in 1979. The New York Times called it "brilliant," and the Ernest Hemingway Foundation gave it a citation for excellence. The book, the first volume of the Darby Series, is still taught in many high schools and Colleges in New England.

Other books in the Darby series include *A Little More Than Kin* (1982), *Whisper My Name* (1984), *The Passion of Estelle Jordan* (1987), and *Live Free or Die* (1991). The Kinship, which includes *A Little More Than Kin* and *The Passion of Estelle Jor-*



Writer Ernest Hebert

photo courtesy of Public Relations

dan, along with an essay, was published in 1994. *Mad Boys*, an experimental novel about a virtual reality Huckleberry Finn was also published in 1994.

The Darby Series has earned significant praise, including these comments from the Boston Globe: "For more than a decade, Ernest Hebert has been shaping with relatively scant fanfare, one of the most interesting accomplishments of contemporary American fiction—a five-volume cycle about Darby, a southern New Hampshire hill town, into which the texture of class is as skillfully woven as it is in Faulkner's Yoknapatawpha County."

Hebert was born in Keene, New Hampshire, and graduated from Keene High School in 1959 and Keene State College in 1969, where he later became a writer in residence from 1984-86. He was a reporter and editor for the Keene Sentinel from 1972-1981, and wrote a weekly column for the Boston Globe for four years. Hebert received three citations for journalism excellence from New England Press International.

Hebert resides in West Lebanon, New Hampshire with his wife Medora, a photographer for the Valley News, and their two children Lael and Nicole.

### Kennedy Library sponsors forums

by Vanessa Manni  
News Editor

The Kennedy Library has been sponsoring public educational forums since 1979. Through these forums, thousands of people in the Greater Boston community have increased their understanding of American politics and issues of concern to citizens throughout the world.

This fall, a total of 11 forums will take place from October 6th through November 19th. Issues that will be addressed range in topic from "Drugs and Public Policy" to the "Political Health of the Nation" to the last forum on the Boston Harbor.

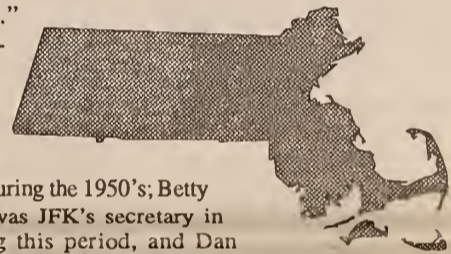
On Sunday, October 27th, from 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m., the forum will focus on "The 1956 Fight For Control of the Massachusetts Democratic Party."

Speakers will include Robert Healy, who covered politics for the

Boston Globe during the 1950's; Betty Taymor, who was JFK's secretary in Newton during this period, and Dan Fenn, who was a political operative in the Kennedy camp four decades ago.

On Sunday, November 3, from 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m., "Religion In Public Life: A Dilemma for Democracy" will be the main topic of discussion. The forum will be based upon the book by Ronald Theimann, Dean of the Harvard Divinity School. Joining Theimann in a discussion of religion as a force in politics will be Reverend J. Bryan Hehir, professor at Harvard Divinity School, and Harris Wofford, former U.S. Senator from Pennsylvania and current chief executive officer of the Corporation for National Service.

For more information on the Kennedy Library Forums or to make reservations, please call (617) 929-4571.



### Substance awareness week

From October 21 through October 25, Fitchburg State College will be recognizing Substance Awareness Week. During the week, a number of activities will be taking place to educate students about alcohol and drugs.

On October 21, to gain appreciation for the difficulty in "kicking the habit" members of the campus community went an entire day without caffeine. To start off the day, orange juice, decaf coffee, and caffeine-free soda was given out from 7:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

A dating game occurred in the pub at 8:00 p.m., where students choose the perfect date.

On Tuesday, A marijuana panel discussed the various legal, social, and physical aspects of marijuana use. The panel included representatives from the medical, legal, treatment, law enforcement, and recovery

fields.

Upcoming Activities.....Today!!!

Wednesday, October 23  
Substance Awareness Fair- 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. G-Lobby Campus Center  
Information Tables will be set up with various, related representatives.

Natural Highs Outdoors Adventure- 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

A high-ropes course will take place at Burbank Hospital to show students that "getting high" doesn't have to involve drugs. The campus van will be waiting in front of Aubuchon to transport students to the course.

Live Alcohol Demonstration-PUB 8:00 p.m. Volunteer(21+) will be demonstrating the various effects of alcohol, using controlled amounts. As their blood alcohol level rises, observe the

impact that the alcohol has on the volunteer's ability to perform certain tasks.

When a Man Loves a Woman - movie starring Meg Ryan, will show at 9:30 p.m. in the PUB.

Thursday, October 24  
CORE Alcohol and Drug Survey- All classes that meet at this time will participate in a campus-wide multiple-choice survey that measures student drug and drug-related activities.



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### Project Enable back in demand

by Anna Allen  
Co-editor-in-chief

Project Enable's Leadership and Peer Educator Training Program for undergraduate students who have disabilities is back by popular demand.

This training program is free to all attending. However, enrollment is limited to 10 undergraduates with disabilities, and as of October 18 there are only six spaces left. Priority will be given to sophomores and juniors. Training will be held in the Hammond Building on October 25th from 7-9:30 p.m. (Rooms G-04, 5, & 6), October 26th from 10a.m. to 3 p.m. (Rooms B-26 & 27), and on November 2nd from 9 a.m. to noon (Rooms B-26 & 27).

The program's goals include discovering or improving leadership skills, and qualifying as a member of a Statewide Speakers Bureau to promote disability rights and awareness in high schools, parent and community groups, colleges, and universities.

Graduate student leaders are in great demand. They have recently presented to high school students in Leicester and Southwick; parents in Fitchburg and Leominster; and educators at two statewide conferences.

If you are (or know) a student who would be interested in this training program, register now at project enable located on the third floor of the Hammond Building, or call ext. 3064.

## Financial aid news

### Loan Counseling Required

Students borrowing money via Federal Loans for the first time will be required to participate in "loan entrance counseling". The sessions, scheduled for October, will inform students of their rights and responsibilities as Federal Student Loan Borrowers.

Student loans will not be dispersed until the session has been completed. Since the sessions are required, all first-time student borrowers who do not attend a counseling session will face the consequence of having their loan canceled.

Students will be notified through campus mail as to whether or not they must attend a session.

### Disbursements

Students will be refunded for remaining financial aid after the funds are dispersed to pay the direct costs of tuition, fees, and room-and-board.

Fitchburg State College will not, however, refund aid to students until after enrollment and housing status are confirmed for all students, after the add/drop period. Generally, students will not receive disbursements before October.

In addition, the federal government prohibits colleges and universities from distributing aid until 30 days after the start of classes. Also, first year students, if eligible, should not expect to receive a refund until after Columbus Day Weekend.

### Loan Signing

Students who have been awarded a Federal Perkins Loan or a Nursing Loan can sign for these loans on October 24, 1996 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00am in the Sanders Conference Room or from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. in the Financial Aid Office. Please contact the Financial Aid Office if you are unable to attend due to class or internship conflict.

### Withdrawal Procedures

Any student who wishes to withdraw from Fitchburg State College during the course of the semester must do so officially. Failure to comply with this procedure will result in difficulties if a student tries to return or transfer.

The withdrawal process begins in the Student Affairs Office on the second floor of the Sanders Administration Building, where necessary paperwork must be completed.

If a student is leaving for financial reasons, it is wise to speak with your financial aid counselor first, as they may be able to prevent students from leaving for this reason.

### Appeals

Students who need more financial aid for the Spring semester should submit a written appeal, which includes your name, social security number, and reason for appeal. Appeals must be received by the Financial Aid Office before November 25, 1996.

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Hot, Sexy, and Safer will be performed by Maria Falzone in Weston Auditorium at 9:00 p.m. This provocative, zany, and outrageous program will encourage students to accept and negotiate Safer Sex practices and to consider the risks of sex under the influence.

Friday, October 25

Lolla-no-booza - PUB 8:00 p.m. Get in for free when you BYOB, That is, when you bring anything that begins with the letter "B", not including booze. Three musical groups will perform.

## Disabilities discussion group

Support/Discussion Group Meetings for Students with Disabilities

Oct 22 In Search of Ourselves: Exploring Self-Esteem  
Presenter: Kathy Larocco

Oct 29 Independence: Can I Really Make It On My Own  
Presenter: Joe Belil, Center for Living & Working

Nov 5 Disability & Substance Abuse: More Common Than You Think  
Presenter: Diane Rose

Nov 12 We Have Bodies Too: Being Comfortable with Our Sexuality  
Presenter: Cindy Purcell

Nov 19 Staying Connected: Building your own Support Group  
Presenter: Willa Peterson

Meetings are from 3:30 - 4:30 p.m. in the Hammond Building, room B-26. For more information, please call Project Enable at x3064.

## Free peer tutoring

Peer tutoring in mathematics is available in the Mathematics Skills Center on the 3rd floor of the Hammond Building.

### Hours:

Monday-Thursday 11:30 A.M. - 4:30 P.M.  
6:30 P.M. - 8:30P.M.

### Sunday

6:30 P.M. - 8:30 P.M.

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Announcements should be short, including dates, places, times and a contact person.

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## ACCESS plans dinner

Danita R. Potter  
Correspondent

The ACCESS program will be hosting its annual ACCESS/Minority Affairs Alumni Dinner in Miller Hall on, October 24.

This dinner will be attended by former and present participants in the ACCESS program. This year the dinner will honor 15 ACCESS Alumni including three who work on campus; Isabel Felicano of Project Enable and Disability Services, Shane Rodriguez of Public Safety, and Albert Tuner of the ACCESS program.

The dinner gives current students the opportunity to meet with people who have survived the college experience. Participants in the event receive advice and often see where the future could possibly take them.

## Students get another chance to boogie

Kim Rosado  
Contributing Writer

Get down and boogie! The Dance club is adding another class.

Jazz Funk is a new idea...a new style, and it's open to those who made the Street Funk I and II.

The officers and teachers of the Dance Club decided that they wanted a funk class free from the stigma that the Street Funk classes seem to have picked up. This concept stemmed from the street funk teachers who want to open another class, but didn't have the time to make it possible.

Melissa Burnham, Jazz I Teacher, will cover the Jazz aspect, and Heather Macedo will throw the funk into the class which will be held on Thursdays, 7:30-8:30, in the dance studio.

Due to fire codes, there are only 25 spots in each class. Therefore, the first 25 people to sign up for the class will be taken. There will be open meetings starting, Thursday, October 24th for anyone interested in the class.

The Dance Club will be holding auditions for anyone interested in performing their own dance in the up-coming show.

## Crowning the court Access looking for King and Queen

Edward Ward  
Correspondent

Black History Month is a time to honor those African Americans who in some way affected our everyday life. Whether it be in the area of arts, like Alvin Ailey, or leaders in the endless pursuit of civil equality like Martin Luther King Jr. and Rosa Parks, ACCESS not only has events celebrating and honoring great black Americans, but they also honor the academic achievements of great Americans of the future - their own ACCESS students. The Heritage Ball is a setting in which students are recognized for their achievements during the year.

The Heritage Ball's purpose isn't just to recognize students' achievements, but also it's a time in which the student body comes together to celebrate diversity. This diversity is celebrated by the crowning of a Multicultural King and Queen. Now in its second year, this new feature of the Heritage Ball, open to all students, takes on a more prom-like setting. But now the King & Queen have an agenda they must be devoted to during Black History Month and during the year.

### QUALIFICATIONS:

(The King & Queen must:)

- have and will maintain at least a 2.0 grade point average
- be active in the participation of school wide activities

### EXPECTATIONS:

(They will be expected to)

- conduct his or herself in a respectful manner
- attend events sponsored by Multicultural Organizations on campus within reason of their schedule
- become a participating member of the African American History Month Planning Committee
- plan at least one Fund raising Event for the semester

At any time if the committee finds that the King and/or Queen have been engaging in conduct or activities not becoming of a king or queen, or if the King and Queen do not fulfill the above expectations, they will be asked to withdraw from their reigning position.

If you are interested in applying to become the next King or Queen, applications are now available at the ACCESS office. Or you can request an application by writing to Box 5409 c/o Edward Ward.

## Defining access

Steven W. Beck  
Correspondent

Although ACCESS has been in existence since 1971, few people know about it.

Located on the third floor of the Hammond Building, directly across from the computer lab, the ACCESS program was started in 1971 due to the social unrest in the United States. It was mandated by the state to recruit minority students to attend respective schools. In 1977, the programs' base was expanded to include low income students.

"The ACCESS program is an academic support program designed for students who possess the motivation and academic potential to receive a college education, but have been denied access to a quality education because of economic or educational disadvantages," states the program charter. "The philosophy is 'achievement against the odds', and the focus is the education and graduation of Fitchburg State college students. This is not a learning disabled program."

The students that gain entrance into this program get assigned to a counselor in the office. They get a variety of service such as tutoring, academic advising, staff involvement in communicating with other offices and services on campus, and most importantly someone to help them just to make their way through the college experience.

ence.

"I took this job to help solve the problems of society, poverty, and lack of education," said Albert Turner, staff counselor in the Access Office. Turner, as well as the rest of the staff in the office, also serve as the advisors on minority affairs and several other organizations here on campus.

Current enrollment in this program is on the up-swing. In the mid-eighties the enrollment consisted of approximately 67 students. The 90's have brought on a resurgence in enrollment. At present there are 58 freshman, 58 sophomores, 68 juniors, and 31 seniors that are members of the program.

One anonymous student is extremely satisfied with the ACCESS Office.

"This office is great. I come from a long background of under-educated family members. I want a shot at living in this world comfortably. To see that happen, I've got to have an education whether I really want to or not. So here I am at FSC."

"I stop in once or twice a week to see Albert Riley, the Director. We talk about all kinds of things, mostly literature," the student said. "Being a freshman isn't an easy thing because of new places, new people, and new things."

Alvin Riley has been the Director of the ACCESS program since 1987.

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Michelle was born with Cystic Fibrosis. Michelle was a selfless person. She was a good friend to many, and she was loved by all who knew her. When you were around her, you were happy. She had one of those personalities, that if you

Michelle loved the theater. Her goal was to become a TV actress on a sitcom or soap opera. She was going to finish college and move either to New York or Hollywood. She was involved in theater at BFHS. She acted in plays including Grease, a "slap stick" version of Cinderella, Meet Me In St. Louis, and Flowers For Algernon.

The scholarship shall be given to a graduating female student who will be entering a recognized college, university, or school of performing arts, majoring in the performing arts, especially theater, or a related

"A" student, but did maintain a "B/C" average while in high school.

Additional consideration should be given to the individual's commitment to God, and the dislike of drugs and alcohol.

The decision as to whom receives the scholarship shall be made by the head of the Theater Department after consultation with the Guidance Department.

To date, there have been two scholarships awarded. One recipient is now a sophomore at Northeastern University, and the other will be a freshman at Providence College.

friends. Michelle passed away on September 19, 1993 due to complications stemming from surgery.

Please join us on her 21st birthday at Papa Gino's to celebrate this important birthday and to help us preserve her memory.

Donations may be mailed to:

The Michelle McCullen Memorial Scholarship  
C/O Bishop Feehan High School  
70 Hollcott Drive Attleboro, MA 02703

# Artist expresses herself

by Jeanne M. Kunze  
Visiting artist

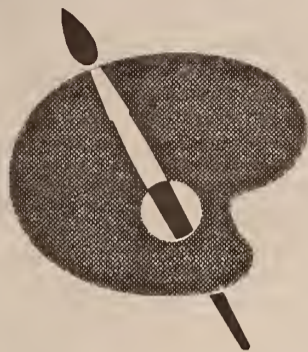
Making art, to me, is like "dancing on paper". When one dances, one must listen to the rhythm and move in sync with it. I try to listen to my inner rhythms when I make art.

To me, a painting is like a well choreographed dance. It is an abstract of life. It expresses the complexity of the human drama. It can offer solutions, but sometimes it just states the questions and invites the viewer to form an answer. Painting is different from dance, in that the expression, the question, the statement, and the smile are recorded for others to experience without the artist's physical presence. Making art is human.

My artwork is my relation to the world around me. My interest is the human inhabitants and their activities, rather than the earth itself. The figure is integral to my exploration of human-kind. I am fascinated by human social interaction. I wonder about previous developments that established present contemporary "rules". I like to think about things that are "under-

stood" to be the correct way, such as stereotypes, why little boys never wear pink, why certain professions are dominated by one gender or why we unconsciously reinforce inequity rather than potential. As part of the vast network of established do's and do not's, I am trying to understand my own influences and my role on earth through my artwork.

I work from a model sometimes, but what results is more about what is in my head than the figure in front of me. I often draw from one figure on top of another as an expression of some human social interaction. Eroticism is not the purpose of my work, even though the figures are nude. I use the nude more as a means of exploring the "truth" without the protective "armor" of clothing. We all know the feeling of exposure in a hospital gown.



Some of the topics I have explored are the Great Goddess of prehistoric times and the lingering references in our own time

such as stars being called The Milky Way. I have used this full figured fertility symbol to think about the role of contemporary woman in the family. I chose this body type precisely, because in our culture it is not

considered an erotic object. I sometimes use news stories as inspiration for an artwork. I use a variety of media when I work. My art often contains personal references to experiences, but sometimes I just play and relax on canvas and have fun.

*Jeanne Kunze will be giving a lecture on October 30 at 6:30 p.m., as part of the Hammond Art Gallery's new lecture series. Her work will be on display in the Hammond gallery until December 4, 1996.*

## A students guide to eating well: without breaking the bank

by Tarra Martinez  
Correspondent

Having moved away from my providers, a.k.a., parents, just three short years ago, I have devised a sure-fire method of living on my own, with little income, without starving to death.

Most kids who live on their own sure as hell aren't gourmets, and most don't have money to burn. Keeping these factors in mind, it is important to keep foods in stock that are relatively inexpensive and easy to prepare.

The following steps should keep your stomach full and your wallet fat, if it was ever fat to begin with.

1. Keep foods that are semi or completely nonperishable items,

such as peanut butter and jelly. If you can't make a pb and j sandwich, I don't know how you could have gotten into college.



2. Bucket O' margarine. It's less expensive than butter, comes in large quantity, and is less fattening. Most dishes, even many microwavables, either require, or can be complimented by some good old supermarket brand margarine.

3. Always keep bread and cheese. Stick some cheese between two pieces of bread, slap some of your margarine on that sucker, fire up a burner, and fry it up. It's quick, easy, and tasty too. Again, here's one that would take a real winner to screw up.

4. Canned foods. You'll always find a hearty meal inside of a Chef Boyardee can. Soups and pastas come cheap and are practically ready to eat in the can.

5. Always go with generic sodas. Market Basket carries a mean three liter for 99 cents.

If you stick by these basic steps, you will find it easy to eat well, sort of well, and DAKA free, at that. Your stomach will thank you for it.

## Seeing Through New Eyes

On October, 25th, something incredible is going to take place in the Hammond Library at 12:00 p.m.. In collaboration with twelve Fitchburg State student teachers, a fifth grade class from McKay will celebrate diversity through photography. All the pictures were taken and developed by the children and the student teachers. The lesson in photography was a learning experience for all involved.

We invite you to come witness an amazing display of photographs that were taken through the eyes of twenty-six fifth graders and their new found college companions. Our hope is that you too may look through new eyes and see the wonders of diversity right here in our community.

October 25, 1996  
12:00 pm - 1:30 pm  
Hammond Library

## Police Log

Sunday, October 6 - Saturday, October 12, 1996

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6, 1996

DISPERSAL - Officer dispersed a male subject from the Town House Lot.

### MONDAY, OCTOBER 7, 1996

ACCIDENTAL DAMAGE - Reported at Holmes Dining Common. Officers responded, took a report of a broken window. DISPERSAL - Officer responded to the Hammond Quad and dispersed roller bladers and skate boarders from the area. SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY - Officer requested to check out some people in the Thompson Hall tunnels. REQUEST FOR POLICE - Officer requested to check out accidental damage at Aubuchon Hall. SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY - Motor vehicle and occupants parked in North St. #4 lot checked out.

### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8, 1996

ANIMAL COMPLAINT - Officer responded to a report of a dead animal in the North St. #3 lot. Grounds crew notified and removed the animal. REQUEST FOR POLICE - Officer responded to the Anthony Building for a medical call. RECOVERED PROPERTY - Officer recovered property in Leominster that was stolen from Campus last semester. REQUEST FOR POLICE - Officers responded to Aubuchon Hall for a Medical call. First Aid was rendered.

### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9, 1996

DANGEROUS CONDITION - Officers responded to the corner of Holman and Cedar Street on a call that a tree had fallen into the intersection. Fitchburg DPW was notified and responded to clear the tree out of the roadway. SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY - Officers requested to check out two subjects hanging around on Authority Dr. ACCIDENTAL DAMAGE - Officers checked out two individuals parked in the Lower McKay Lot. DANGEROUS CONDITION - Officer responded to Russell Towers to take possession of some found items. REQUEST FOR POLICE - Officer responded to the corner of Pearl Street and Myrtle Ave. on a call of theft. Fitchburg PD notified. MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT - Officer responded to McKay School to investigate hit and run accident.

### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10, 1996

NOISE COMPLAINT - Officers responded to a complaint of a loud group outside Aubuchon Hall. Subjects were gone upon officer's arrival. AMBULANCE CALL - FSC Officer and Patriot Ambulance responded to Aubuchon Hall. ASSIST OTHER PD - FSC Officer assisted Fitchburg PD at a motor vehicle on John Fitch Highway. REQUEST FOR POLICE - Officer investigated a possible domestic abuse call. NOISE COMPLAINT - Officers responded to 185 North St. for excessive noise. NOISE COMPLAINT - Officer responded to Russell Towers for complaint of loud subjects in the main lobby. Subjects gone upon officer's arrival.

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11, 1996

ASSIST OTHER PD - FSC Officers assisted Fitchburg Police in transporting two individuals from Clinton Street to Campus. ARREST - Officers requested to assist Fitchburg police with a motor vehicle with a suspended license. ASSIST OTHER PD - Officers requested to assist Fitchburg Police with a motor vehicle stop on Authority Dr. MOTOR VEHICLE VIOLATION - Officer stopped a car for passing a school bus with it's lights flashing. ILLEGAL POSSESSION OF CLASS D - Officers responded and investigated a report of a drug violation in Aubuchon Hall.

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12, 1996

ANIMAL COMPLAINT - Report of a dog being struck by a motor vehicle on Highland Ave. investigated. STOLEN MOTOR VEHICLE - Officer investigated report of car stolen from the Holmes lot. Car recovered in Townsend, MA. DISORDERLY & TRESPASSING - Officers requested at Aubuchon Hall on a complaint from a resident regarding two unwanted males in the building. REQUEST FOR POLICE - Officer responded to Russell Towers on a complaint that someone was throwing things out of a window.

## To legalize or not to legalize



Keith Fredericks  
Co-opinion-editor

Drugs should be legalized. Some say that a person should have the right to do with their body what they please. I believe this, though it's not the reason drugs should be legalized.

Drugs are illegal because we live in a democracy and in a democracy the majority rules. In this case, the majority believe that the bad consequences of drug use is the reason to prohibit drugs. This was a good decision a long time ago.

Why change the law now? The problems surrounding drug use have changed since the laws were established. When a problem changes, the solution must also change. The solution is to legalize drugs. It's not the liberal thing to do. It's the right thing!

Would we be a nation of drug

addicts' if drugs were legalized? This proposition is an indication of the irrational and illogical paranoia that caused prohibition. In a world where drugs were legal, my friend who smokes pot every night, would still smoke pot every night. Likewise those

**"people like to do what they're not supposed to do."**

who 'just say no' will still say no.

Problems can't be fixed by simply avoiding them. Instead of trying to resolve the problems, our laws hide them. By human nature, prohibiting something makes it more appealing and people like to do what they're not supposed to do. It's a fact that drugs are less abused in countries that don't prohibit it.

The only true way to deal

with drug abuse is through parenting and education; not through prohibition. Hiding societal drug abuse through laws has hurt our country a great deal.

More reasons currently exist to legalize drugs than to prohibit them. Drug money could be used to reduce the National Debt rather than filling the drug dealers pockets. Organized crime depends largely on their drug revenue, and drug legalization would effectively minimize crime. Drug related deaths would be minimized because of the F.D.A. regulations. Drug use itself would be minimized.

Yesterday's arguments don't apply to today's problems. This is a different generation and time. No longer is it an issue of 'freedom to do with our bodies as we please.' That issue is being argued in the abortion debate; please leave it there.

Drug prohibition has done more harm than good. Government decisions are made by weighing pros and cons. Why then are drug dealers still taking our money, our neighborhoods, and our children?

After a long night of burning bread that should have been lightly toasted, and delivering pizza to ungrateful people who would rather wait for me to give them change for \$5 on a \$4.95 order than to just let me keep the damn 5 cents, I awoke the morning after with a wet face, and a foul stench surrounding me. As I turned my head, my 65lb Heinz 57 mixed breed mutt is lying beside me, breathing in my direction with his tongue dangling and touching my pillow, with an occasional washout hitting my head. Sums up my weekend. Sums up my life.

Tourists and cars filled the streets of North Conway, NH causing a traffic backup over four miles long. The only uncongested area was probably in the forest. Who knows during Columbus Day Weekend the New Hampshire moose probably had visiting moose from all over New England.

## A bitter man's idea of stall tactics

by Jim Jones  
Correspondent

Jim sits at the bottom of the stairs with sweaty palms and Brute cologne pumping from his pores. "What the hell is she doing up there," he says to himself as the blood rushes to his head.

"She's had me sitting here for over an hour," he says of Betty Sue's date preparation.

Betty Sue sits upstairs primping herself and as she strives to reach her goal, a man sits waiting.

"I like to make them wait at least 45 minutes," says Betty Sue. "That way I get to see the sheer anger as their teeth grind."

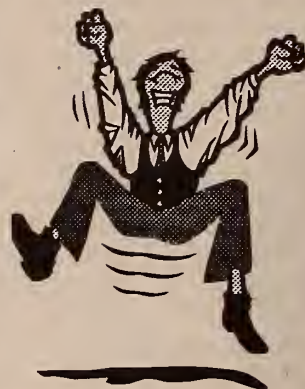
Betty Sue is an expert at being late and you can be to if you follow these simple steps:

1. Don't start to get ready for a date until 10 minutes before he is to arrive. This will ensure that even if the stall maneuvers don't work, a simple shower and hair drying will make you at least 1/2 hour late.
2. Continuously forget things. This is a good stall tactic and can make a 20 minute event 40 minutes long.
3. Sit in front of a mirror for one hour with enough make-up to paint a circus clown. You don't have to use it all but make an effort to "try" most of it.
4. Once he arrives on time have the shower on. This will send a sense of panic into your date, as he will have to sit with your father.
5. Use key phrases like "I'm almost ready" and "Just one more minute." These are both excellent and can gain extra stall time.
6. Finally, when you think he can't take it anymore, and you are already an hour late, make your grand appearance.

Let us check back on Jim. He and Betty Sue's dad are out of sports topics so now an uneasy air fills the room. His shirt is soaked with a cold sweat and he stares at his watch. This is a perfect time for Betty Sue to make her entrance. Coming down the stairs she sees she has done an outstanding job, 1:45 minutes late. The look on Jim's face gives the disheveled appearance that Betty Sue was looking for.

Imagine women, this can all be yours if you follow the six easy steps outlined here. If you find yourself having trouble, try consulting other women, as many are masters of this fine art.

*The names in this article have been changed to protect the persons involved.*



## Letter to the editor

Dear Editor,

This is a letter concerning the disability issues with the mailboxes. I am one of the students that brought the topic up last semester about the accessibility of the mailboxes. The problem that came to our awareness was that of the combination locks. As a group of students with various disabilities, we brought this particular barrier up with Michael Rivard, Vice President of Finance and in charge of the on-campus Post Office.

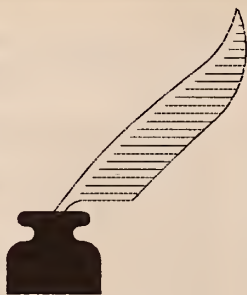
Students with visual impairments cannot see the combination to open their mailboxes. The disability of fine motor skills makes it difficult to grasp the knob of the lock, and students who are in wheelchairs have difficulty reaching the lock and seeing the small printed numbers. The system for students with disabilities is to have to go to the window and ask for our mail. This means only receiving mail during post office hours.

Last semester our group wrote a letter to Mr. Rivard. He responded with the speedy arrangement of a meeting. Mr. Rivard was helpful and listened to our suggestions. His suggestion was to have some of the mailbox doors changed to key locks. The appointing of the keys was arranged through Disability Services. This accommodation is absolutely fantastic. I can now go to my mailbox at any time and I don't need to disturb the workers. I, along with all of the other students with the need for this accommodation, want to thank Mike Rivard.

In a quick note about moving the mailboxes, I would just like to say that, being a student with a disability and working in Disability Services, it is accessible for students with mobility impairments to receive a key to the elevator if they are signed up with Disability Services. The keys to the elevator allow students to go to G-Lobby and the Basement. The keys are signed out at the beginning of the semester and are returned at the end of each semester.

The main point on disabilities is if you think it is going to be difficult for someone with a disability, then ASK someone with a disability.

Christy Potter



## Find your own fun at Fitchburg State

by Sharon A. Bernard  
Correspondent

Students often complain that there is nothing to do here on campus. These people must wake up! FSC offers plenty of activities and events events to entertain students each week. Those that do not take advantage of these offerings are missing out.

On October 5th many students enjoyed the improvisational jazz chamber group 'The String Trio of New York' in Percival Auditorium. This three piece group (violin, bass, guitar) played a lively mix of original and popular musical pieces.

and James Emery entertained students and themselves while taking turns being in the musical lime light. The audience was responsive to the music and appreciative of the talent. This musical event is one recent example of entertainment provided here at FSC.

There are terrific professional events waiting for students, faculty, and administration here on campus. Students should take a little time and effort to take advantage of what FSC has to offer. If students attend campus events they will be entertained, learn something new, and have fun. Please support future programs or they may not continue.

# To kill or not to kill

by Jonathan Balcombe  
Ph.D biologist for The Humane Society

Approximately seven million vertebrate animals are killed each year for dissection in U. S. biology classrooms. To illustrate the magnitude of this many animals, consider that if you lined them all up end to end, they would stretch more than twice the length of California.

And for what purpose? What gains are made when students cut open and explore the insides of frogs and cats and fetal pigs and dogfish sharks? The Humane Society of the United States (HSUS) believes that whatever benefits might arise from dissections, they are far outweighed by the associated costs. Allow me to explain.

First, there is the animal suffering involved. Investigations into the dissection trade have documented, among other abuses, cats being drowned ten at a time in burlap sacks or prodded roughly into crowded gas chambers, rats embalmed with formaldehyde while still living, dozens of live frogs piled into sacks for days or weeks without food, and sickly turtles kept in filthy, overcrowded holding tanks. These sorts of conditions appear to be quite commonplace, and though they are inexcusable and sometimes illegal, they are perhaps not surprising in a business where the "merchandise" is going to end up dead anyway.

Then there are human social concerns. A principal goal of life science education is to teach respect for life. Dissection is an intrinsically violent exercise; it involves killing, preserving, cutting apart, then discarding an animal. However well-intentioned an instructor's desire to teach respect for animals, the typical dissection exercise will tend to undermine it by devaluing the lives of other creatures to the level of expendable objects. I have personally spoken with hundreds of bright, compassionate students who find dissection ethically repugnant;

their response is sometimes to turn away from careers in such fields as human medicine, veterinary medicine, or nursing, where compassion is most needed. On the other hand, less sensitive students may be hardened by the exercise, the consequences of which are open to speculation.

There is also quality of education to be considered. Teachers who continue to use animals in dissections or other invasive classroom exercises are apparently unaware of or unmoved by the fact that more than a dozen studies have been published showing that students using humane alternatives learn anatomy and physiology as well as or better than students who use animals. Abundant resources are available for learning anatomy, physiology, genetics, toxicology, and other animal-related fields that do not require animals to suffer and/or die. These include films, computer simulations, models, books, or a trip to the local veterinary clinic. To anyone who simply cannot bear the thought of dispensing with hands-on contact with a preserved animal, human cadavers offer the full-scale experience without the associated ethical problems (people are not killed for the purpose of dissection, and the patient voluntarily donates his/her body).

Even the economics of dissection do not argue for its use. The HSUS recently did a cost comparison and found that, for all five species we looked at (shark, frog, rat, pig, cat), the cost of purchasing a broad range of alternative materials was lower than that of purchasing animals to dissect. For 270 students—two students per animal—over a three year period, money saved ranged from \$344 (bullfrogs) to \$4,342 (cats). If you want to save even more money, just borrow the alternative. The HSUS, for instance, operates an Alternatives Loan Program that currently has over forty items available on a temporary, free-of-charge basis.

Finally, there is environmen-

tal protection. Many of the animals harmed or killed for classroom use are caught in the wild. Populations of frogs and sharks, for instance, have been seriously declining in recent years, and while the specific impact of their capture for classroom use is not known, it is certainly not ecologically beneficial. Moreover, the world needs people who value environmental stewardship and compassion for life; dissection fosters neither.

Perhaps there are a few fields, such as veterinary medicine, for which cutting open and examining the insides of dead animals is indispensable. But how ironic that healthy animals would be killed for students whose professional goal is to save lives and ease suffering. Even vet schools don't need to deliberately kill animals to train their students. Conduction spay/neuter surgeries on animals from the animal shelters, and procuring deceased cats and dogs from their owners who sign a consent form are among the ethical ways that growing numbers of vet schools are procuring animals for their training programs. And as for the use of animals in medical school, consider that 27 of the nation's medical programs don't use animals in their curricula, and at all but one of the remaining schools the animal labs are optional. Using animals to practice surgery has been illegal in England for more than 100 years.

With all the suffering in the world, should we really be adding to it in our education programs? Is dissection necessary when other learning methods have been shown repeatedly to effectively replace it? Is there any justification for animal dissection when it has so many counts—animal killing, animal suffering, violation of students' sensibilities, mediocre educational merit, and environmental disruption—against it? We think not.

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# Stand up or drop out

by Keith Fredericks  
Co-opinion-editor

The value of a college education has plummeted in the last decade. A Bachelors degree from a small state school isn't worth what it once was. Some would say that it's worth what a high school diploma was worth thirty years ago. To stand out from the pack, students must stand out at their school. Students must get involved.

Play sports, join a club or organization, write for the paper, give tours around campus, become an RA or orientation leader, or lead the math team to victory. Do we have a math team? Employers hire people, not schools or degrees. Experience and competence are what employers seek. These traits do not develop through studying. The only way to develop them is to get involved. Involvement around campus is reflective of oneself and not of one's school, and is therefore a great indication of competence and experience.

Many things determine a person's value in the workplace. A portfolio, resume, institution of higher learning, abilities, connections, and luck are all important. These things are buzz words that can make or break a student's entrance into the work force. We affect these things positively when we get involved.

No success can occur without action. As people we must get in the habit of asserting ourselves. As students we must get in the habit of seizing opportunity when it presents itself. College is a wealth of opportunity that spans beyond classes and Thursday night parties. Stand out from the pack. Seize the opportunity. Get involved.

***"College is a wealth of opportunity that spans beyond classes and Thursday night parties"***

# The right time to die

by Joel Hurley  
Co-opinion-editor

It is your right to die! Now I don't mean it's O.K. to kill yourself if you have a major social, economic, or family crisis. Suicide should never be an option, with the exception of persons diagnosed with severely painful terminal illnesses. These people unfortunately have no legal right to commit suicide, but with the help and determination of Dr. Jack Kevorkian, that right could someday be granted.

Dr. Kevorkian has devoted his life and put his freedom on the line in order to assist people who are in agonizing pain and have no hope of survival. Why is this wrong? Who should say that these people have no right to die?

Some people argue that only God should decide if people are to live or die. Now this is easy to say when your not the one in such cruel pain, but would you believe the same if the tables

were turned and you were suffering? Dr. Kevorkian may not be God, and he may not have God's insight, but he does see and understand the pain these people feel. Dr. Kevorkian is not trying to play God, he is trying to help people with the only humane treatment method.

Suicide should be legalized for people who are diagnosed with terminal illnesses that cause severe pain. The patients that are diagnosed as such, should have to go through proper psychological, and mental testing as well as counseling to be sure that they truly understand the consequences of the choice they make. In the end it should be the choice of the individual to live or die, and until then we cannot feel comfortable knowing that we are unjustly torturing people in need of death.

It is our turn to help these people and allow them the right they deserve, and maybe then the little doctor from Michigan can finally retire, a free man.

# It's a Dog's Life!



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## Women scorned create club



Exes wonder why: Bette Midler, Goldie Hawn, and Diane Keaton form the *First Wives Club*

### Film Review \*\*\*\*

by Lynne Cyr  
Correspondent

The First Wives Club  
Paramount Pictures, 1996  
Still in Theaters

The First Wives Club is a comedy about three women seeking revenge because they lose their wealthy husbands to younger, more attractive, "trophy" wives.

Based on the Olivia Goldsmith's novel, the film was written by Robert Harling (*Steel Magnolias*) and directed by Hugh Wilson (*Police*

*Academy, Guarding Tess*), Bette Midler (*For the Boys, Beaches*), Diane Keaton (*Annie Hall, The Godfather*), and Goldie Hawn (*Cactus Flower, Private Benjamin*), give outstanding comedy performances that keep viewers laughing all the way through the movie.

After the funeral of a high school friend who killed herself because of a cheating husband, the trio starts the "First Wives Club" to get back dignity and respect. They open the Cynthia Swann Griffin Crisis Center in Manhattan and dedicate it to their friend.

The story is about revenge. As the women begin to scheme and take revenge on their husbands, their emotional anger takes them to the extreme. They use conniving methods like blackmail to make their ex-husbands pay.

The film was shot on location in New York City at 60 different sites including townhouses on the Upper East Side, posh hotels and bars, and executive offices in the Chrysler Building. The quality production effort combines with a good sense of humor to keep viewers laughing until the end.

## Whack, hack, munch, munch

### The A-Z Encyclopedia of Serial Killers

### Book Review \*\*\*

by Rick Rodricks  
A&E Editor

The A-Z Encyclopedia of Serial Killers  
A Pocket Books Trade Paperback Original September 1996  
\$12.00

What were Ted Bundy's last words as he faced his death sentence? Which body parts did Jeffrey Dahmer prefer to eat?

Find answers to questions most people would never ask in the *A-Z Encyclopedia of Serial Killers*. This book is totally tasteless, abundantly informative, and completely engrossing.

Just in time for Halloween, this recently published book will never make a bestseller list, but it definitely holds appeal to anyone willing to explore the dark side of true crime. Not only does the book examine the methods of the murderers, but also delves into the minds of the men and women who committed some of

the most infamous acts of horror in tabloid headline history.

Author Harold Schechter (which incidentally rhymes with Hannibal Lechter) is a professor at the City University in New York. His co-author, David Everitt is a true-crime writer and contributor to Entertainment Weekly magazine.

The book combines straightforward writing with attention to detail delivering an informative, easy read. Of course the subject matter makes this a morbid curiosity to most readers, but there is definite potential here for reference material.

The *A-Z Encyclopedia of Serial Killers* does have nearly every detail imaginable. It gives references to films inspired by serial killers. It also includes summaries of the psychological studies done on the minds of madmen like John Wayne Gacy. It also explores the bizarre reality of serial killer fan clubs.

Unfortunately, the organization of this book is not good

enough to make it a true reference work. Even though each entry appears alphabetically by title, some of the information on a particular serial killer is spread across several sections. For example, to find out everything about Jack the Ripper, you not only have to look under "J" for "Jack" but also look under "D" for "Doctors."

The book does, however, make a good straight-through read. The entries are quick, and readers can put it down and come back later without worrying about losing their place. It would be difficult to lose your place anyway, the descriptions of the chilling subject of serial murder are hard to forget.

Readers who like things such as documentaries on criminals will enjoy this book. Despite its subject matter and the look of its blood-splattered cover, the *A-Z Encyclopedia of Serial Killers* is actually more fascinating than tasteless.

## Free Stuff

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PHENOMENON

Don't Forget, next weeks Free Flick sponsored by the Programs Committee stars John Travolta (*Saturday Night Fever*, *Pulp Fiction*) in *Phenomenon*.

*Phenomenon* delivers a science fiction story filled with a lot of warm fuzzies. Although it takes the easy route with a cheesy ending, it keeps viewers interested throughout.

Showtimes are Sunday and Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in the Ellis White Lecture Hall. Best of all, it's free to students.

## Spicy, saucy, hot, and satisfying

### Restaurant Review \*\*\*\*

by Michael J. Poirier  
Sports Editor

Bangkok City  
Fitchburg  
Cap Plaza on John Fitch Highway

Bangkok City is not your typical Asian restaurant. It does not have Crab Rangoons, Peking Ravioli, or Chicken Fingers. What it does have is a unique dining experience.

Specializing in Thai cuisine, Bangkok City offers a diverse variety of different appetizers, soups, and entrees for every taste. My dinner started with a collection of hors d'oeuvres including marinated chicken strips, spring rolls, and butterfly shrimp. The chicken strips were outstanding and the shrimp was simply delicious, melting in my mouth.

The next course was Tom Yum Seafood soup. This Thai hot and sour soup had exceptional seasonings and spices. It was so spicy it relieved my head cold by clearing my sinuses.

For the main entree, I chose the Chicken Imperial. The stir fried chicken, snowpeas, mushrooms, carrots, baby corn, and broccoli were expertly prepared. The chicken and vegetables tasted light and flavorful. Bangkok City uses no MSG, which helps to explain the light flavor.

My date, a vegetarian, ordered the Pad Pak, a collection of different fresh vegetables with shrimp. After sampling some of her meal, I wished I had ordered the vegetable dish along with my meal. It was that good.

Not only the food, but also the service was impeccable. Every time the water in my glass dropped to the halfway mark, the waiter was there to fill it up. After the spicy soup, the glass needed filling three times.

I highly recommend Bangkok City. It is only a five minute drive from FSC and different from ordinary Chinese food restaurants.

## RATING SYSTEM

The Strobe uses a five-star system for its A&E reviews

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a masterpiece, one for nearly everyone

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a solid work, a worthy choice

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worth the price, but not the best

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not worth it

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ouch!

## Pub Schedule

### Monday

Monday Night Football. Free buffet.

Free admission

### Tuesday

Pub available for rent  
to clubs and organizations

### Wednesday

live entertainment or other  
scheduled event

### Thursday

live entertainment or other  
scheduled event

### Friday

Pub available for rent to clubs  
and organizations

### Saturday

T.B.A.

### Sunday

Coffeehouse, 8 p.m. - 10 p.m.

Acoustic guitar, poetry, singing, etc.

## Want a cheap good time?



The pub. Free food, cheap beer, right here on campus

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FSC Entertainment Feature  
by Kathy Geoghegan  
Associate Editor

Can you find a night out that does not require standing in a crowded, smoke filled basement?

What would you say to entertainment, pool, darts, free food, and 90 cent drafts?

How about if it was conveniently located in the center of campus?

Unfortunately people don't know the answers to these questions. Only a few lucky people have figured out that the pub at Fitchburg State College is an excellent and safe place for an inexpensive night out.

Greg Morgan, a graduate assistant for the Campus Center/Student Activities, started the year with the idea that something had to be done about the pub. Morgan's first impression of the place was that it looked more

like a cafeteria than a tavern.

Many positive changes have been made to improve its atmosphere and to build its reputation. The addition of a pool table, jukebox, basketball toss, darts, 90 cent drafts of the microbrew of the month, and all of the various entertainment programs should draw a large turn-

***"You can't  
beat 90 cent  
drafts and  
free food,"***

out.

"I don't think people don't like the pub, or that it is related to FSC in any way," said Morgan. "The problem is getting the word out." After attending The

Association of College Unions International conference, Morgan realized that the problems at the pub were universal.

"People are just set in their ways, they are afraid to try something new," Morgan said. "We bring in a band, people come, but no one will dance."

Junior pub staff member Steve Fernald says the best night is Monday night. On Mondays, the football game is shown on a 50" large screen television. A free buffet is offered. There is usually a pretty good turnout at these games, and the pub staff expects the crowd to get larger as the word gets out about the place.

"This is my first time coming to the pub," said student Presley Reese as he sips a Harpoon Ale and cheers for the San Francisco 49ers at last week's Monday night football. "This is really a great deal!"

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OF NOTRE DAME**



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# It's a Brave(s') new world



Mike  
Poirier  
Sports  
Editor

Even with a rainout Saturday night, the Atlanta Braves' bats continued to be on fire as they defeated the Yankees 12-1 in the first game of the '96 World Series.

After dismantling the Cardinals in three straight games with a combined score of 32-1, the Braves turned to Cy Young candidate John Smoltz and a rookie who was only a year old the last time the Yankees won the World

Series.

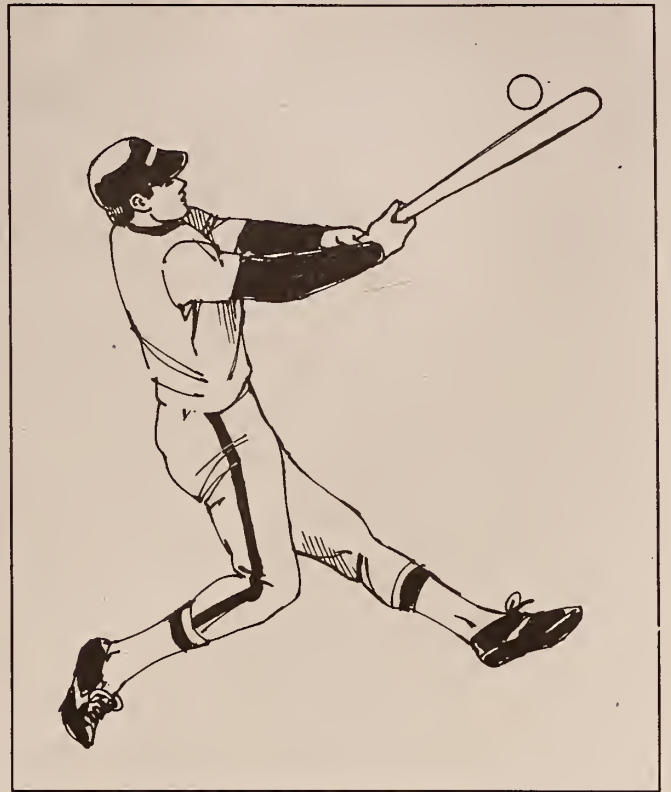
Rookie Andruw Jones, who was playing in A ball just over a year ago, was the offensive star hitting two homeruns and driving in five RBI. In the process Jones became the youngest player, 19-years-old, to hit a homerun in World Series play, eclipsing the record of Mickey Mantle, who hit his homerun at the age of 20 in 1952.

Matched up against Smoltz was Yankee 21 game winner Andy Pettitte who was knocked out in the third inning after a two-run single by Chipper Jones and a Fred McGriff RBI single which put the Braves ahead 5-0. Earlier, in the second inning, Jones hit a two-run homerun off of Pettitte giving the Braves the 2-0 lead and, after McGriff's RBI in the third, hit a three-run

homerun off of Yankee reliever Brian Boehringer, extending the lead to 8-0.

Smoltz did not allow a hit until Wade Boggs' run, scoring double in the fifth which plated shortstop Derek Jeter, who reached on Smoltz's fifth walk of the game. The Braves, who last week became the first NL team to rally from a 3-1 deficit, also received a fifth-inning homerun from McGriff and three RBI from Chipper Jones.

With Greg Maddux, Tom Glavine, and Denny Neagle rested and ready to go for games two, three and four, I predict the Braves will take the Yankees out in five games and will capture their second consecutive World Series title. Look for season and series wrap-ups next week.



## Intramural Corner

### WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

The Women's Intramural Basketball team ended their season this past week leaving much to look forward to for the regular season. Stacey Shanks continued to dominate the boards and Jessica Peer showed off her 3-point shooting abilities. This promising intramural team will start their regular season the week of October 28th. Familiar faces that have been seen in the gym over the past three years include Amy Harrington and Dianne Horwath. Returning stars include Shanks, Sarah Butenhys, and sophomore Brigitt Giles. This intramural program brought out some solid rookies including Peer, Laura Znoj, Sarah Harding, and Stephanie Digiralamo. Look for this team to impress all come the regular season.



Brian  
Bicknell  
Intramural  
Director

### STREET HOCKEY PLAYOFF PREVIEW

The fall street hockey season has been an exciting one with four teams battling for street hockey supremacy. Many games that went into their final minutes tied or ended with a one goal difference and the Fire Engines were involved in the league's only three shoot-outs. The Champions took the top seed with the Ostriches capturing the second slot. Rounding out the playoffs are My Johns and the Fire Engines. Look for exciting games throughout the course of the playoffs and if this fall's play is any indication, the spring season should provide street hockey fans with all they can handle.

### STREET HOCKEY

The playoffs got underway last night at Elliot Field. The number one seeded Champions hosted the number four seeded Fire Engines in first round play: The Champions scored first on a beautiful give-and-go between Damon Moore and Joey Centrella. The Engines answered back in the second period on a breakaway after a botched play by the Champions defense. With five minutes left in the game, the Champions' Damon Moore scored on a rebound giving them the 2-1 victory. Look for more playoff results next week.

### SOFTBALL

by Carlos Alberto Jr.

Tuesday October 15th saw Fitchburg's Finest do battle with the Ball Bangers. Fitchburg's Finest won 9-8 in extra innings on a sacrifice fly that scored Paul Reggio from third. Offensive standouts for the Finest were Jim "weirdo" Ingram who collected three hits and Zack "Allegations" Lambert, who has been hitting close to .400 for the season. Fitchburg's Finest have a great deal of momentum going into the playoffs next week and went undefeated (6-0) throughout the course of the season. The Finest's lineup include Tom Levett, who is hitting around .700 this season and leads the club with five homeruns, Laura Zaos who is 6-0 with a 3.82 ERA, and defensive specialists Eddie Berset and Kim Nolan. Look for playoff highlights next week.

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# Falcons fall to Vikes

by Duncan Rasmussen  
Correspondent

On a cold, wet, and windy evening in front of a vocal cluster of fans, the Fitchburg State men's soccer team battled league leading Salem State Saturday, falling by a score of 2-0.

"Tonight we played the best team in the league," coach Marty Aristegui said. "Salem takes us to another level." Aristegui said that he was proud of his team's performances against the best team in the league.

The match began earlier than the 7:00 p.m. scheduled start due to the forecast for stormy weather that evening. By the half the weather had become a factor.

The game was physical and fast-paced, with each team trying to build up an attack and looking for any break. The first half saw several runs and attempts to set up scores by both teams. Quick runs made by Falcons' midfielders David Paez and Seth Lawrence were rejected by the Vikings' defense and were immediately counter-attacked by the Salem State of-

fense. Falcon fullback Patrick Baldwin ran off a Viking striker attempting to score.

The fast play continued, with each side looking for any opportunity to break the deadlock. Falcon goal keeper Nathan Hagglund easily handled a direct kick, but had to react quickly minutes later for another shot that just missed the left post on the hop. With about twelve minutes remaining in the half, the Vikings found the goal on a shot by striker Salazar Silva, assisted by fellow striker Eddie Kodiat. Down a goal near the end of the half, the Falcons picked up the attack and junior fullback Rony Lambert managed to put a hard shot on the Viking goal.

After the break, the wind and rain picked up considerably and the Falcons faced the weather and the opposition for the remainder of the game.

The Falcons tried to gain control early in the second half, and Lambert again tested the Viking goal keeper two and a half minutes into the second half. The hard, fast, and physical play of the first half spilled over to the second half as freshman forward

Darren Damiani received a pass from senior forward John Toney that the Viking defense was able to defend, negating a possible score for the Falcons.

With 19 minutes gone in the second half, Salem State struck for their second score from a direct kick into the scrum in the penalty area. Smelling victory and aware that the Falcons would have to open up play to score, the Vikings pressured the ball at midfield, trying to get their forwards in the heart of the Falcon defense.

The Falcons never quit and Hagglund made a spectacular save on a shot from a corner kick that was right on goal. Paez and Lambert continued to test the Viking defense and Lambert was able to test the Viking goal keeper with a hard shot on goal with five minutes left in the game.

Following the game, coach Aristegui said that he was happy with the performance of his players. He felt that his team was focused and played well together as a team. He especially noted the play of both Lambert and Paez.

# Buccaneers sink Falcons 29-26

by Michael J. Poirier  
Sports Editor

Buccaneer rushing back Ryan Woodland spoiled Fitchburg State's homecoming game by rushing for 150 yards on 30 carries and scoring three touchdowns, leading Mass Maritime to a 29-26 victory over the Falcons on Saturday.

The Falcons jumped out to a 13-0 lead after the first quarter, looking for their first win of the season, but the Buccaneers outscored the Falcons 29-13 over the next three quarters, including fifteen unanswered points in the third quarter, to secure the victory.

Quarterback Jason Dyer drew first blood for Fitchburg State on a 16-yard touchdown run early in the first quarter and would score again on a 1-yard run with only 2:35 in the half. Tailback Paul Parisi also scored twice for the Falcons and rushed for a career high 169 yards on 33 carries. Parisi's 169 yards tied the Falcon record for most



Falcon running back Paul Parisi yardage in a game set by Phil Doherty in 1991.

The third quarter would prove to be the Falcon's undoing as they allowed two touchdowns to Woodland, including a 13-play, 86-yard drive which tied the score at 19. Mass Maritime took the lead after Buccaneer quarterback Deron Jozokos scored on a two-point conversion pass from Adam Johnson. Woodland would again score on a 4-yard run late in the third quarter to extend the lead to 29-

19.

Fitchburg State closed the gap when Parisi scored on a 1-yard run with 12:35 left in the game, but the Falcons would get no closer turning the ball over on downs after driving to midfield in the closing minutes.

The loss puts the Falcons at 0-6 for the season while Mass Maritime evens their record at 3-3. Fitchburg State's next game is on the road Saturday Oct. 26th against UMass Dartmouth and starts at 1:00.

# Athlete of the week



ANDI KANE  
WOMEN'S SOCCER  
Senior, Forward, Lunenburg, MA

In an outstanding clutch performance, the senior scored late goals in two FSC victories. In the MASCAC contest against North Adams State, Kane knocked one in the closing minutes to preserve a key 3-1 victory. Then, against Simmons College, Kane scored the game winner in overtime for the Falcons. Those were her first two goals of the season. Kane has been a big reason for Fitchburg State's 8-4 season. They are 2-2 in MASCAC play after dropping a tough, 2-0 decision at Westfield State on Saturday.

## FSC STUDENT / ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

Sept 16	Rebecca Kiley	Volleyball
Sept 23	Karen Irving	Women's Soccer
Sept 30	Bob Raxasack	Football
Oct 7	Mary Baker	Field Hockey
Oct 14	Greg McClintock	Football
Oct 21	Andi Kane	Women's Soccer

# Weekly wrap-up

The Football team's record falls to 0-6 with their 29-26 loss to Mass. Maritime. Their next road game is Saturday Oct 26 vs. UMass Dartmouth.

The Women's Soccer team lost to Westfield State 2-0 in action on Saturday putting them at 8-4 on the season. Karen Irving made five saves in the loss.

The Women's Volleyball team lost to Rhode Island College and Regis College on Saturday. They are now 5-18 on the season and 1-3 in the MASCAC.

The Women's cross country team finished 33rd at the New England All-Division Championships this weekend. Amy Taylor was FSC's top finisher, coming in 169th place. The Falcon men and women will compete in the MASCAC Championship this weekend at Westfield State College. The Lady Falcons will be seeking their third consecutive MASCAC Title.

The Field Hockey team falls to 3-9 with a tough 1-0 loss against Simmons College Saturday. Laurie MacEwen had twelve saves in the loss. Ashley Aube leads the team with two goals and six points.

The Men's Soccer team lost to Salem State 2-0 in Saturday's action. The loss puts them at 2-11 on the season. Senior John Toney leads the team with ten points while Darren Damiani has both game winning goals for the Falcons.

## STERLING CUP UPDATE

The Field Hockey team will look to close the gap against Worcester State Oct 24th in Worcester. The Lancers lead FSC 3-1. The game starts at 4:00.

# FSC action this week

Wednesday	Oct 23	Women's Soccer vs Elms (makeup)	Home	4:00
Thursday	Oct 24	Women's Soccer vs WPI	Home	7:00
		Field Hockey at Worcester State	Away	4:00
		Men's Soccer at Wentworth	Away	7:00
		Volleyball at Framingham	Away	7:00
Saturday	Oct 26	Football at UMass-Dartmouth	Away	1:00
		Field Hockey at Salve Regina	Away	11:00 am
		Men's Soccer at Mass. Maritime	Away	noon
		Women's Soccer at RIC	Away	1:00
		M/W Cross Country at		
		MASCAC Championships	Away	11:00 am
Sunday	Oct 27	Field Hockey vs. Salem State (makeup)	Home	2:00

*"It ain't over till it's over."*

-Yogi Berra